



1-14-2004

IWU Chapel Hour

Leslie Boelter
Illinois Wesleyan University

Follow this and additional works at: <https://digitalcommons.iwu.edu/news>

Recommended Citation

Boelter, Leslie, "IWU Chapel Hour" (2004). *News and Events*. 12.
<https://digitalcommons.iwu.edu/news/12>

This Article is protected by copyright and/or related rights. It has been brought to you by Digital Commons @ IWU with permission from the rights-holder(s). You are free to use this material in any way that is permitted by the copyright and related rights legislation that applies to your use. For other uses you need to obtain permission from the rights-holder(s) directly, unless additional rights are indicated by a Creative Commons license in the record and/ or on the work itself. This material has been accepted for inclusion by faculty at Illinois Wesleyan University. For more information, please contact digitalcommons@iwu.edu.

©Copyright is owned by the author of this document.

January 14, 2004

Contact: Leslie Boelter, (309) 556-3181

IWU Chapel Hour

Event: *Illinois Wesleyan University Chapel Hour* presents Chaplain Dennis E. Groh: "What We Saw When the Waters Parted: Civil Rights and the Christian Churches"

Date: Jan. 19 (Wednesday)

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Location: Evelyn Chapel, 1301 N. Park St., Bloomington

Admission: Free and open to the public

Background: Chaplain Groh will speak on the subject of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the slain civil rights leader and Nobel Peace Prize winner, and the racial problems that exist in our society. He will also speak on the subject of his life as a young pastor during the civil rights movement.

The chapel hour will also include a duet of *Amazing Grace* by senior Michael McHugh from Glenview, Ill., and junior Justin Barnish from Downers Grove, Ill. The hour will also feature the new chapel organist Susan Klotzbach.

Dennis E. Groh, class of 1961, has been University Chaplain and Professor of Humanities and Archaeology at Illinois Wesleyan University since 1996. He is also Associate Director of the University of South Florida Excavations at Sepphoris.

A specialist in early Christianity and the archaeology of Israel in the Roman and Byzantine Periods, Groh has authored, co-authored, or coedited five books. His articles appear in a number of published works, including *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Near Eastern Archaeology* (edited by Eric M. Meyers), *The Dictionary of Judaism in the Biblical Period* (edited by Jacob Neusner), and *Christianity and Rabbinic Judaism. A Parallel History of Their Origins and Development* (edited by Hershel Shenks).

Groh is a past President of the North American Patristics Society and a past Vice President of the Chicago Society of the Archaeological Institute of America. He has been a Rockefeller Doctoral Fellow in Religion (for study at the American Academy in Rome); both a Fellow and a Senior Fellow of the Association of Theological Schools of the United States and Canada; the James Alan Montgomery Fellow and the Annual Professor of the American Schools of Oriental Research at the William F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research (Jerusalem); and the Hubert H. Humphrey Fellow of the Institute for Social Ecology, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (Beer Sheva, Israel).

Groh, who is actively interested in Inter-Faith dialogue, is an ordained Elder of the United Methodist Church (Northern Illinois Conference). He holds degrees from Illinois

Wesleyan University (BA in History, Phi Kappa Phi), Garrett Theological Seminary (BD, with highest distinction), and Northwestern University (Ph.D.).

Contact: For additional information, contact Illinois Wesleyan University Chaplain's office at (309) 556-3005.